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1. On 1 Jun 1956, four German employees working on the transportation bridge of Schacht 66 of Objekt 9, were selected for training as test stand operators to Soviet personnel at a single test point. 25X1

2. German operators are to be similarly trained at Schachte 38 and 250 of Objekt 9.

3. At Schacht 66 it was intended that the German operators should be fully trained by 20 June 1956; thereafter they would take over a test point on the transportation bridge, taking readings from mine cars containing Kistenerz, (medium grade ore), and man the test point without supervision in 3 daily shifts, working a six-day week. (A fourth operator was to be available as a reserve). Soviet operators continue to test high grade ore (Talonerz) and there is no indication that they intend to give up this function. 25X1

4. The apparatus at the German check point consists essentially of two Geiger tubes in a metal casing set in the ground, one on either side of the mine car rails. They project approximately 1.5 cm above ground level and have a diameter of between 4 and 5 cm. The operator works in a closed hut near the track where he takes scale readings with the following results: 25X1

Scale Reading	Operator records as:	Disposal of ore
No reading	Taub (sterile)	To waste dump
20/25	Armerz (poor ore)	To Bunker 'A' (See Appendix "A")
25/60	Kistenerz (medium grade ore)	To Bunker 'B' (See Appendix "A")
Over 60	Talonkisten (high grade ore)	Rerouted to Soviet control point.

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The operator makes no allowance in his readings for normal background counts.

5. During the first part of their training the German operators tested an average of 40 Kisten (boxes) per shift (at the rate of 6 per mine car). They rarely met with the poorer grades of ore and never took readings over 60. They

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understood that high grade ore would only come their way through an oversight and had instructions to reroute it to their Soviet counterparts.

Comment. A rough diagram of the transportation bridge of Schacht 66 of Objekt 9 is attached as Appendix "A". This diagram, which is not to scale, shows the routing of mine cars from the pit head; the Soviet test point for high grade ore (Talonerz); and the German test point for medium grade ore (Kistenerz). (1 page)

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APPENDIX "A"

OBJEKT 9 SCHACHT 66

TRANSPORTATION BRIDGE

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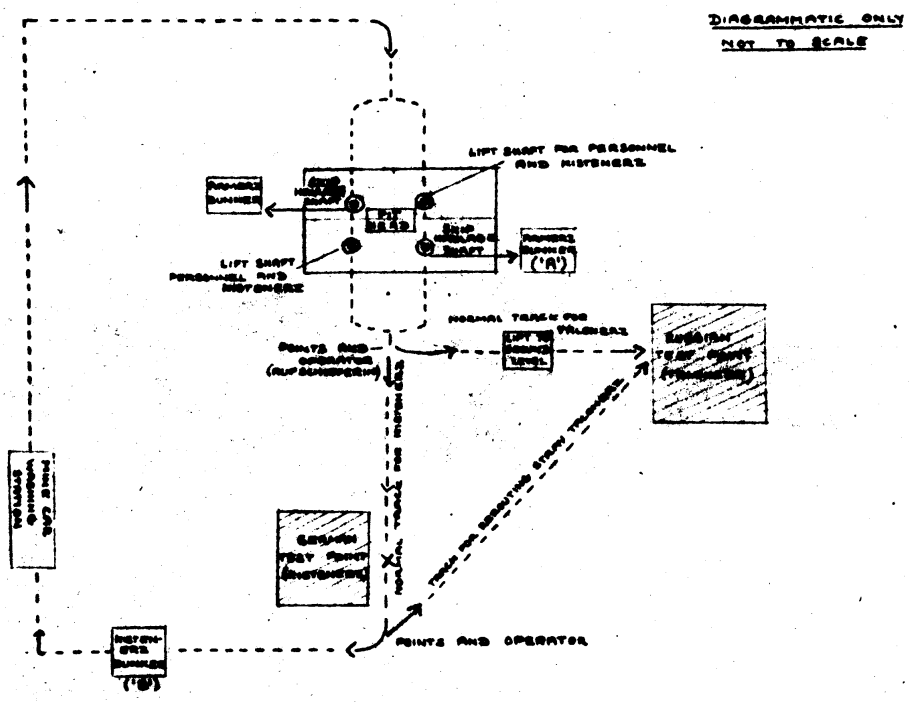

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